HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 435

By Watson

A RESOLUTION to urge the U.S. Department of Transportation and the Tennessee Department of Transportation to widen Interstate 75 to three-lanes between Interstate 40 and Interstate 24.

WHEREAS, a major north-south traffic artery on the federal highway system, Interstate 75 is a two-lane highway as it passes through Loudon, Monroe, McMinn, Bradley, and the northeastern portion of Hamilton Counties; and

WHEREAS, the continuing escalation of traffic on the United States Interstate system, and particularly Interstate 75, far outpaces the current capacity of such a two-lane highway to carry such traffic safely; and

WHEREAS, this particular segment of Interstate 75 is inherently dangerous and congested and public welfare demands that Interstate 75 be improved to three-lanes along its entire length through Loudon, Monroe, McMinn, Bradley, and Hamilton Counties; and

WHEREAS, this body strongly believes that a safe and adequate federal interstate system of highways is of vital interest to the people of Tennessee and the future of our great Nation; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that this General Assembly urges the U.S. Department of Transportation and the Tennessee Department of Transportation to implement and complete a highway improvement project for that portion of Interstate 75, between Interstate 40 and Interstate 24, that will widen such highway to three-lanes along its entire length through Loudon, Monroe, McMinn, Bradley, and Hamilton Counties.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Transportation and to the Commissioner of the Tennessee Department of Transportation.

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